UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF ILLINOIS

MARVIN E. SAMPLES,

Plaintiff,

V.

Case No. 10-cv-280-JPG-PMF

REACO BATTERY SERVICE CORPORATION, SCOTT GAMSTER, HAROLD HAWK and CROWN BATTERY MANUFACTURING COMPANY,

Defendants.

MEMORANDUM AND ORDER

This matter comes before the Court on the defendants' motion to dismiss (Doc. 24). Since the defendants filed the motion to dismiss, the plaintiff has amended the complaint (Doc. 33). Because the motion to dismiss is directed at the original complaint, which is no longer the operative pleading in this case, *Massey v. Helman*, 196 F.3d 727, 735 (7th Cir. 1999), the Court **DENIES as moot** the motion to dismiss (Doc. 24).

IT IS SO ORDERED. DATED: August 18, 2010

s/ J. Phil Gilbert

J. PHIL GILBERT

DISTRICT JUDGE